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Dear Wendell,

Thank you for letting me see Ed. Jackson's note, which I return. It establishes, or rather confirms, the statement I have made that E. J. was in favor of giving only a small proportion of the fund to the "Standard"; but I do not recollect to have heard before that he made a motion <sup>to that effect</sup> at that meeting, which nobody seconded. It was doubtless so.

- His argument that F. J. might change, & now wish to support the Standard, as some of us had changed, & now oppose it, is a curious piece of logic enough - for which I suspect the good man's "Spiritualism" (so called) is largely responsible.

- I prepared with much care a statement of the matter, from my point of view, and mainly in reply to Purvis's charge that we had "misdirected" funds, "properly belonging to the Am<sup>n</sup>. A.S. Society"; - it was seen by E. Quincy & S. J. May -

both approved it. S. J. M. said it was what it ought to be, and ~~was~~ unobjectionable as to manner, & that it was what was wanted. — I sent it just as he saw it — indeed was just ~~finishing~~ copying it, when he arrived here last Monday a.m. — Yesterday I had a note from A. M. Powell, declining to publish it!

— Pretty well for the Standard! To bring a severe charge against men, — a charge impeaching their integrity, — & then refuse them a chance to reply! He made not the slightest objection to the article. Had never wanted the subject introduced in the Standard — I thought it had better now be confined to W. L. G. & W. R. (1) — All very well, if others had not been apailed in its columns. —

Tues, 3d S. May Jr